



TROPICAL CYCLONE BULLETIN NR. 17
Typhoon FRANCISCO (MEKKHALA)

Issued at 11:00 PM, 24 June 2026

Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin at 5:00 AM tomorrow.

FRANCISCO CONTINUES TO WEAKEN WHILE MOVING SLOWLY OVER THE PHILIPPINE SEA

Location of Center (10:00 PM)

The center of Typhoon FRANCISCO was estimated based on all available data at **325 km East Northeast of Itbayat, Batanes (22.2°N, 124.6°E)**.

Intensity

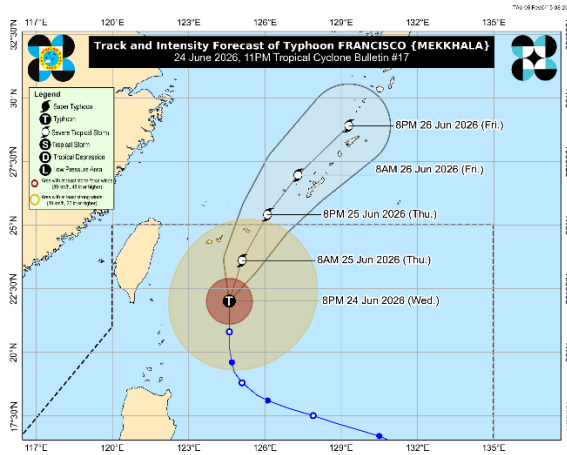
Maximum sustained winds of **120 km/h** near the center, gustiness of up to **150 km/h**, and central pressure of **975 hPa**.

Present Movement

Northward Slowly

Extent of Tropical Cyclone Winds

Strong to typhoon-force winds extend outwards up to **400 km** from the center



TRACK AND INTENSITY FORECAST

Date and Time	Center Position			Intensity		Movement dir. and speed (km/h)
	Lat. (°N)	Lon. (°E)	Location	MSW (km/h)	Cat.	
12-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 25 June 2026	23.6	125.1	460 km Northeast of Itbayat, Batanes	110	STS	NNE 15
24-Hour Forecast 8:00 PM 25 June 2026	25.4	126.1	675 km Northeast of Itbayat, Batanes (OUTSIDE PAR)	100	STS	NNE 20
36-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 26 June 2026	27.0	127.3	885 km Northeast of Extreme Northern Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	100	STS	NE 20
48-Hour Forecast 8:00 PM 26 June 2026	28.9	129.3	1,175 km Northeast of Extreme Northern Luzon (OUTSIDE PAR)	95	STS	NE 25



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TROPICAL CYCLONE WIND SIGNALS (TCWS) IN EFFECT			
TCWS No.	Luzon	Visayas	Mindanao
1 Wind threat: Strong winds	Batanes	-	-
Warning lead time: 36 hours Range of wind speeds: 39 to 61 km/h (Beaufort 6 to 7) Potential impacts of winds: Minimal to minor threat to life and property			

OTHER HAZARDS AFFECTING LAND AREAS
<u>Heavy Rainfall Outlook</u> Refer to Weather Advisory No. 12 issued at 11:00 PM today for the heavy rainfall outlook due to Tropical Cyclone FRANCISCO and the Southwest Monsoon. <u>Severe Winds</u> The wind signals warn the public of the general wind threat over an area due to the tropical cyclone. Local winds may be slightly stronger/enhanced in coastal and upland/mountainous areas exposed to winds. Winds are less strong in areas sheltered from the prevailing wind direction. • Minimal to minor impacts from strong winds are possible within any of the areas under Wind Signal No. 1. The Southwest Monsoon and the periphery of FRANCISCO will bring strong to gale-force gusts over the following areas (especially in coastal and upland areas exposed to winds): • Today: Most of Luzon, Visayas, Misamis Occidental, Lanao del Norte, Camiguin, Dinagat Islands, Davao Occidental, and Davao Oriental. • Tomorrow (25 June): Most of Luzon, Panay Island, Negros Occidental, and Northern Samar. • Friday (26 June): Batanes, Ilocos Region, Apayao, Cagayan, Isabela, Aurora, Central Luzon, Metro Manila, CALABARZON, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Romblon, Marinduque, and Bicol Region.

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HAZARDS AFFECTING COASTAL WATERS

24-Hour Sea Condition Outlook

Up to rough seas over the following coastal waters:

- **Up to 4.0 m:** The eastern seaboard of Batanes.
- **Up to 3.5 m:** The remaining seaboard of Batanes; the northern seaboard of Babuyan Islands.
- **Up to 3.0 m:** The remaining seaboard of Babuyan Islands.
- **Mariners of small seacrafts, including all types of motorbancas, are advised not to venture out to sea under these conditions, especially if inexperienced or operating ill-equipped vessels.**

Up to moderate seas over the following coastal waters:

- **Up to 2.5 m:** The seaboard of mainland Cagayan, Isabela, and northern Aurora; the northern seaboard of Ilocos Norte.
- **Up to 2.0 m:** The remaining seaboard of Aurora and Ilocos Norte; the seaboard of Ilocos Sur, La Union, Zambales, northern Quezon, and Kalayaan Islands; the northern and eastern seaboard of Polillo Islands, Catanduanes, and Northern Samar; the northern seaboard of Camarines Norte and Camarines Sur; the eastern seaboard of Albay, Sorsogon, and Eastern Samar; the western and southern seaboard of mainland Palawan; the western seaboard of Pangasinan, Bataan, and Lubang Island.
- **Mariners of motorbancas and similarly sized vessels are advised to take precautionary measures while venturing out to sea and, if possible, avoid navigation under these conditions.**

Other coastal waters have forecast wave heights of less than 2.0 m.

TRACK AND INTENSITY OUTLOOK

- **It must be emphasized that heavy rainfall and severe winds may still be experienced in localities outside the forecast confidence cone. Refer to "Other Hazards affecting Land Areas" for more details. Furthermore, the track may still shift within the limit of the forecast confidence cone.**
- FRANCISCO will begin turning north northeastward towards the Ryukyu Islands and sea south of mainland Japan. On the track forecast, FRANCISCO will exit the Philippine Area of Responsibility (PAR) by tomorrow (25 June) afternoon or evening.
- FRANCISCO is forecast to weaken into a severe tropical storm within the next 12 hours and will continue to gradually weaken throughout the forecast period.

Considering these developments, the public and disaster risk reduction and management offices concerned are advised to take all necessary measures to protect life and property. Persons living in areas identified to be highly or very highly susceptible to these hazards are advised to follow evacuation and other instructions from local officials. **For heavy rainfall warnings, thunderstorm/rainfall advisories, and other severe weather information specific to your area, please monitor products issued by your local PAGASA Regional Services Division.**

The next tropical cyclone bulletin will be issued at 5:00 AM tomorrow.

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